

So-Called Gold Cure.

"The danger of the so-called gold cure for the drink habit have frequently been described in these columns, and many cases of suicide, murder and insanity, resulting from it have been instance. The latest cases in this state reported by telegraph last week were those of George Ross, of Wabash, and H. W. Camp, of Elwood. The former became violently insane and tried to kill his wife. The dispatch says that "some months ago he took the gold cure and his nervous system was shattered by the treatment." The latter died at Marion while undergoing the treatment, the dispatch saying "last winter he traveled as a lecturer in the interest of the gold cure company."—Indianapolis Independent.

We wonder if our friend of the Independent, ever took the pains to scan the columns of our large city papers in search of scores of items that are daily chronicled in regard to the numbers of men who try to kill their wives while intoxicated. Has he carefully noted the cases of delirium tremens spoken of, under whose baleful influence the victim has rushed madly to a suicide's grave.

Then again, we might inquire about those who are incarcerated in some mad house who were brought to that place of confinement by their indiscreet use of liquor.

We are no agitator along these lines, but we believe in giving "the devil his dues." When some poor unfortunate, has gone to some institute to gain relief, and after going through a course of treatment, falls by the wayside, or some other unforeseen trouble arises, it is always laid to the cure. No thought is given of his former condition.

That there are institutions that are frauds in this line of work there is no doubt, and it is the newspaper that should show them up. They owe this to their fellowmen.

That there are institutions in this country that hold out to the man who is addicted to the habits, a hope of relief, and when in their grasp not only rob him of his money but injure him not only physically but mentally, is an assured fact. But while such is the case there are those institutions that do afford relief and the man who comes under their charge, unless when taken, is physically a wreck, receives the benefit he craves.

We are too apt to look upon these "cures" with disfavor, and instead of giving them the benefit of the doubt, and investigate their mode of work, condemn them before giving them an opportunity to substantiate their claim.

Keep It to Yourself.

The editor of the Lemont, (Ill.) Observer, in a late issue aptly applies a remedy for the frivolous persons who are eternally cornering the editor and propounding some stale or unappreciated joke. It fits the bill so nicely that we re-produce it for the same purpose. He says:

"What is often a good joke to tell, is not always a good joke to publish. We want every item of legitimate news, but when it comes to lending our columns to the publication of insignificant personalities whose meaning is understood by those only who are 'on the inside,' we draw the line. When a good fellow tells us we are a good fellow, hooks his finger into our button hole, draws us aside and gently confides to us that he has a good one on 'so-and-so,' and wishes we would 'fix it up in good shape'—real funny, everybody laugh—and it will be all right." O, yes it will be all right. This is the way it goes:

His friend saw Willie's arm around Angelina when they were out riding one starry night. Willie's friend comes to the office, lets the editor into the secret and wants him to put it into the paper somewhat after this form: "We would suggest that Willie Jones drive with both hands moonlight nights."

That is a sample of the rot an editor is often expected to print under the guise of news. And how many there are that do it. It is not news; it is not journalism. It is giving our readers a class of trash which makes a newspaper a medium of gossip and robs journalism of its dignity. Do not ask us to make fun of anybody's personal affairs. Willie has a right for ought we know, to put his arm around Angelina; that is their concern. If our over-zealous friends who desire to assist us in getting out a paper would put themselves in Willie's place and imagine how funny a pen picture of a harmless hug looks in print, mayhap they would be less zealous in their efforts at news-getting and more charitable toward a common inclination of humankind on starry nights.

It's the old, old story, nothing new about it. It, and all kindred jokes and stale personalities, were out of print years ago. We don't want them, and we will not burden our columns with such nonsense at less than the advertising rates thrice doubled."

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